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**TO REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF HOLDING OF  
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- ☐ Canceled claims cannot show text of claim.
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1. Each amendment section must begin on a separate sheet
2. A separate "clean" version of a currently amended paragraph or claim is **NO LONGER REQUIRED** (except for a substitute specification – see No. 5 below)
3. If the amendment adds, changes, or deletes any claim, a listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, must be provided as follows:

- The claims must be listed in ascending numerical order
- The text of all pending claims including withdrawn claims must be presented; no text for "canceled" or "not entered" claims
- A status identifier must be presented in parentheses after the claim number for each claim; only the following identifiers are permitted: (original), (currently amended), (canceled), (withdrawn), (new), (previously presented), and (not entered)
- All "currently amended" claims must have markings to show changes; the only markings permitted are underlining for added matter, strikethrough and double brackets [ [ ] ] (for five or fewer characters) for deleted matter
- Grouping of consecutive "canceled" or "not entered" claims permitted (e.g., claims 2-8 (canceled))

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5. Amendments to the specification by marked-up replacement paragraphs or sections only - no clean replacement paragraph or section is required; **NO** replacement sheets permitted
    - Note, however, that for substitute specifications, rule 1.125 continues to require both a clean and marked-up copy
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